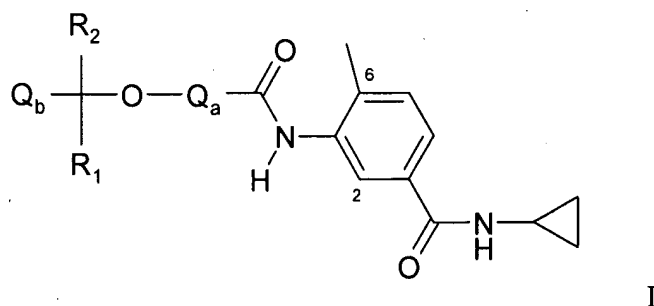


IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims:

Claim 1 (**currently amended**): A compound of the Formula I



wherein

Q_a is ~~phenyl or heteroaryl~~, and Q_a may optionally bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from hydroxy, halogeno, trifluoromethyl, cyano, amino, (1-6C)alkyl, (2-6C)alkenyl, (2-6C)alkynyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino and (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl;

R₁ and R₂ are each independently selected from hydrogen, (1-6C)alkyl, (2-6C)alkenyl and (2-6C)alkynyl; and

Q_b is ~~phenyl, pyridyl, heteroaryl or heterocyclyl~~, and Q_b may optionally bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from hydroxy, halogeno, (1-6C)alkyl, (2-6C)alkenyl, (2-6C)alkynyl, (3-6C)cycloalkyl, (3-6C)cycloalkyl-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, (3-6C)cycloalkoxy, (3-6C)cycloalkyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, carboxy, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl, (2-6C)alkanoyl, amino, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino, halogeno-(1-6C)alkyl, hydroxy-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy-(1-6C)alkyl, cyano-(1-6C)alkyl, amino-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylthio, (1-6C)alkylsulphinyl, (1-6C)alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, N-(1-6C)alkylsulphamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]sulphamoyl and (3-6C)cycloalkylsulphonyl;

and wherein any of the substituents on Q_a or Q_b defined hereinbefore which comprise a CH₂ group which is attached to 2 carbon atoms or a CH₃ group which is attached to a carbon atom

may optionally bear on each said CH₂ or CH₃ group one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, cyano, amino, (1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylamino and di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino;
or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 2 (**currently amended**): A compound of the Formula I according to Claim 1 wherein

Q_a is phenyl, ~~pyridyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl or pyridazinyl~~, and Q_a may optionally bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from halogeno, (1-6C)alkyl and (1-6C)alkoxy;

R₁ and R₂ are each independently selected from hydrogen, (1-6C)alkyl, (2-6C)alkenyl and (2-6C)alkynyl; and

Q_b is ~~phenyl, pyridyl, heteroaryl or heterocyclyl~~, and Q_b may optionally bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from hydroxy, halogeno, (1-6C)alkyl, (2-6C)alkenyl, (2-6C)alkynyl, (3-6C)cycloalkyl, (3-6C)cycloalkyl-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, (3-6C)cycloalkoxy, (3-6C)cycloalkyl-(1-6C)alkoxy, carboxy, (1-6C)alkoxycarbonyl, N-(1-6C)alkylcarbamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]carbamoyl, (2-6C)alkanoyl, amino, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino, halogeno-(1-6C)alkyl, hydroxy-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy-(1-6C)alkyl, cyano-(1-6C)alkyl, amino-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylamino-(1-6C)alkyl, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino-(1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkylthio, (1-6C)alkylsulphinyl, (1-6C)alkylsulphonyl, aminosulphonyl, N-(1-6C)alkylsulphamoyl, N,N-di-[(1-6C)alkyl]sulphamoyl and (3-6C)cycloalkylsulphonyl;

and wherein any of the substituents on Q_a or Q_b defined hereinbefore which comprise a CH₂ group which is attached to 2 carbon atoms or a CH₃ group which is attached to a carbon atom may optionally bear on each said CH₂ or CH₃ group one or more substituents selected from hydroxy, cyano, amino, (1-6C)alkyl, (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylamino and di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino;
or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 3 (**currently amended**): A compound of the Formula I according to Claim 1 ~~or Claim 2~~ wherein

Q_a is phenyl, pyridyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrazinyl or pyridazinyl, and Q_a may optionally bear 1 or 2 substituents selected from hydroxy, halogeno, (1-6C)alkyl and (1-6C)alkoxy; or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claims 4-6 (cancelled).

Claim 7 (original): A compound of the Formula I according to Claim 1 or Claim 2 wherein R₁ and R₂ are each independently selected from hydrogen and (1-6C)alkyl; or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 8 (cancelled).

Claim 9 (currently amended): A compound of the Formula I according to Claim 1 selected from:-

~~3-[[4-(benzyloxy)benzoyl]amino]-N-cyclopropyl-4-methylbenzamide;~~
~~3-[[3-(benzyloxy)benzoyl]amino]-N-cyclopropyl-4-methylbenzamide;~~
~~4-(benzyloxy)-N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-methylbenzamide;~~
~~4-(benzyloxy)-3-fluoro-N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}benzamide;~~
~~4-(benzyloxy)-3-chloro-N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}benzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-[[4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino]benzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-[[4-(1,3-thiazol-4-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino]benzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-[[4-(pyridin-3-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino]benzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-((4-[(5-methylisoxazol-3-yl)methoxy]benzoyl)amino)benzamide;~~
~~3-((4-[(5-chloro-1,2,3-thiadiazol-4-yl)methoxy]benzoyl)amino)-N-cyclopropyl-4-methylbenzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-3-[[4-(imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino]-4-methylbenzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-((4-[(2-methyl-1,3-thiazol-4-yl)methoxy]benzoyl)amino)benzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-3-((4-[(3,5-dimethylisoxazol-4-yl)methoxy]benzoyl)amino)-4-methylbenzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-[[4-(1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino]benzamide;~~
~~methyl-5-((4-[(5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl)amino]carbonyl)phenoxy)~~

methyl)-2-furoate;
~~3-((4-((2-chloro-1,3-thiazol-5-yl)methoxy)benzoyl)amino)-N-cyclopropyl-4-methylbenzamide;~~
~~4-(benzyloxy)-N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-methoxybenzamide;~~
N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-methoxy-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)
benzamide;
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-methoxy-4-(1,3-thiazol-4-ylmethoxy)~~
benzamide;
N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-{[3-methyl-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino}benzamide;
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-{[3-methyl-4-(1,3-thiazol-4-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino}benzamide;~~
N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-fluoro-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)
benzamide;
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-fluoro-4-[(2-methyl-1,3-thiazol-4-yl)~~
methoxy]benzamide;
N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-4-[(3,5-dimethylisoxazol-4-yl)
methoxy]-3-fluorobenzamide;
N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-fluoro-4-(1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-ylmethoxy)
benzamide;
N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-{[3-(1,3-thiazol-4-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino}benzamide;
N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({3-[(2-methyl-1,3-thiazol-4-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)benzamide;
N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-{[3-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino}benzamide;
N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-fluoro-4-(1,3-thiazol-4-ylmethoxy)
benzamide;
N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({3-methyl-4-[(2-methyl-1,3-thiazol-4-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)
benzamide;
N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-4-[(3,5-dimethylisoxazol-4-yl)
methoxy]-3-methylbenzamide;
N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-{[3-methyl-4-(1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino}
benzamide;
methyl-5-({4-[(5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl)amino]carbonyl}-2-
methylphenoxy)-methyl-2-furoate;

3-chloro-N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)
benzamide;

~~3-chloro-N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-4-(1,3-thiazol-4-ylmethoxy)~~
~~benzamide;~~

~~N-cyclopropyl-3-({3-[(3,5-dimethylisoxazol-4-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)-4-methylbenzamide;~~

~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({3-(1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-ylmethoxy)benzoyl}amino)benzamide;~~

~~3-({3-[(2-chloro-1,3-thiazol-5-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)-N-cyclopropyl-4-methylbenzamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-fluoro-4-(imidazo[1,2-a]
pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzamide;~~

N-cyclopropyl-3-({4-[(4-methoxypyridin-2-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)-4-methylbenzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({4-(1-pyridin-2-ylethoxy)benzoyl}amino)benzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-3-({3-[(4-methoxypyridin-2-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)-4-methylbenzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-3-[(4-({5-(hydroxymethyl)pyridin-2-yl}methoxy)benzoyl)amino]-4-
methylbenzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-3-[(4-({5-(1-hydroxy-1-methylethyl)pyridin-2-yl}methoxy)benzoyl)amino]-4-
methylbenzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-3-({4-({5-[(isopropylamino)methyl]pyridin-2-yl}methoxy)benzoyl}amino)-4-
methylbenzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-3-({4-({5-[(dimethylamino)methyl]pyridin-2-yl}methoxy)benzoyl}amino)-4-
methylbenzamide;

methyl 6-({4-[(5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl)amino]carbonyl}
phenoxy)methyl)nicotinate;

N-cyclopropyl-3-({4-({5-[2-(dimethylamino)ethoxy]pyridin-2-yl}methoxy)benzoyl}amino)-4-
methylbenzamide;

~~N-cyclopropyl-3-[(4-({5-(1,3-dioxolan-2-ylmethoxy)pyridin-2-yl}methoxy)benzoyl)amino]-4-
methylbenzamide;~~

N-cyclopropyl-3-({4-[(5-hydroxypyridin-2-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)-4-methylbenzamide;

methyl 6-({4-[(5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl)amino]carbonyl}phenoxy)
methyl)pyridine-2-carboxylate;

N-cyclopropyl-3-[(4-({6-(hydroxymethyl)pyridin-2-yl}methoxy)benzoyl)amino]-4-

methylbenzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-3-[(4-{[6-(1-hydroxy-1-methylethyl)pyridin-2-yl]methoxy}benzoyl)amino]-4-methylbenzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-3-[(4-{[6-{2-(diethylamino)ethoxy}methyl}pyridin-2-yl]methoxy}benzoyl)amino)-4-methylbenzamide;

N-cyclopropyl-3-[(4-{[6-{2-(dimethylamino)ethoxy}methyl}pyridin-2-yl]methoxy}benzoyl)amino)-4-methylbenzamide;

~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-[(4-{[1-oxidopyridin-2-yl]methoxy}benzoyl)amino]benzamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-(imidazo[1,2-a]pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-(1,3-thiazol-2-ylmethoxy)pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-(pyrimidin-2-ylmethoxy)pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-[(1-methyl-1H-imidazol-2-yl)methoxy]pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-[(1,5-dimethyl-1H-pyrazol-3-yl)methoxy]pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-[(1,3-dimethyl-1H-pyrazol-5-yl)methoxy]pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-[(3-methylpyridin-2-yl)methoxy]pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-[(1-methyl-1H-benzimidazol-2-yl)methoxy]pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-(isoquinolin-1-ylmethoxy)pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

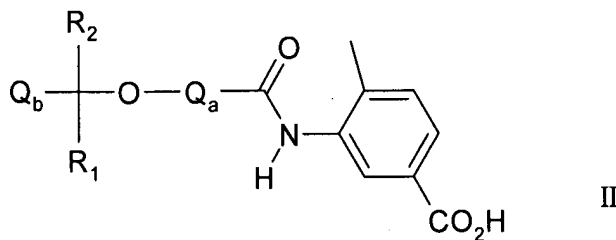
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-(quinolin-2-ylmethoxy)pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

~~2-(1,3-benzothiazol-2-ylmethoxy)-N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~

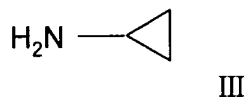
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-(1-pyridin-2-ylethoxy)pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-(1,3-thiazol-4-ylmethoxy)pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-2-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)pyrimidine-5-carboxamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-3-({4-[(5-cyclopropyl-1,3,4-thiadiazol-2-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)-4-methylbenzamide;~~
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-6-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)nicotinamide;~~
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-5-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)pyrazine-2-carboxamide;~~
3-({4-[(6-bromopyridin-2-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)-N-cyclopropyl-4-methylbenzamide;
N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3,5-difluoro-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzamide;
N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({4-[(6-methylpyridin-2-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)benzamide;
N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({4-[(3-methylpyridin-2-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)benzamide;
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({4-(pyrimidin-2-ylmethoxy)benzoyl}amino)benzamide;~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({4-(pyridazin-3-ylmethoxy)benzoyl}amino)benzamide;~~
N-cyclopropyl-3-{[4-({6-[(2-methoxyethyl)amino]pyridin-2-yl}methoxy)benzoyl]amino}-4-methylbenzamide; and
N-cyclopropyl-3-({4-[(6-{[2-(dimethylamino)ethyl]amino}pyridin-2-yl)methoxy]benzoyl}amino)-4-methylbenzamide;
~~5-(benzyloxy)-N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}pyridine-2-carboxamide;~~
~~N-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-5-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)pyridine-2-carboxamide; and~~
~~N-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-({4-({4-(methylsulfonyl)benzyl}oxy)benzoyl}amino)benzamide;~~
or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 10 (**withdrawn**): A process for preparing a compound of the Formula I according to claim 1, or pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof which comprises:-

(a) reacting a benzoic acid of the Formula II, or a activated derivative thereof,



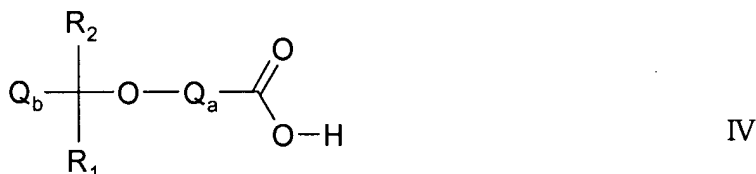
with an amine of the Formula III



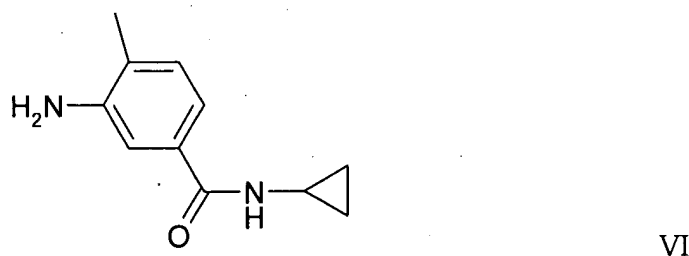
under standard amide bond forming conditions, wherein Q_a, Q_b, R₁ and R₂ are as defined in Claim 1 and wherein any functional group is optionally protected , and:

- (i) removing any protecting groups; and
- (ii) optionally forming a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt;

(b) reacting an acid of the Formula IV, or an activated derivative thereof,



with an aniline of the Formula VI



under standard amide bond forming, wherein Q_a, Q_b, R₁ and R₂ are as defined in Claim 1 and wherein any functional group is optionally protected, and:

- (i) removing any protecting groups;
- (ii) optionally forming a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt;

(c) for the preparation of a compound of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q_a or Q_b is (1-6C)alkoxy or substituted (1-6C)alkoxy, (1-6C)alkylamino, di-[(1-6C)alkyl]amino or

substituted (1-6C)alkylamino, the alkylation of an amide derivative of the Formula I wherein a substituent on Q_a or Q_b is hydroxy or amino.

Claim 11 (**previously presented**): A pharmaceutical composition which comprises a compound of the Formula I as claimed in any one of claims 1, 2 and 9, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof, in association with a pharmaceutically-acceptable diluent or carrier.

Claims 12-15 (**cancelled**).

Claim 16 (**withdrawn**): A method for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, inflammatory bowel disease, multiple sclerosis, AIDS, septic shock, congestive heart failure, ischaemic heart disease or psoriasis in a warm-blooded animal in need thereof comprising administering to said animal an effective amount of a compound of the Formula I as claimed in any one of claims 1, 2 and 9, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 17 (**new**): The compound *N*-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-{[4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino}benzamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 18 (**new**): The compound *N*-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-{[4-(pyridin-3-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino}benzamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 19 (**new**): The compound *N*-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-methoxy-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 20 (**new**): The compound *N*-cyclopropyl-4-methyl-3-{[3-methyl-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzoyl]amino}benzamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 21 (**new**): The compound *N*-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-3-

fluoro-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 22 (**new**): The compound 3-chloro-*N*-{5-[(cyclopropylamino)carbonyl]-2-methylphenyl}-4-(pyridin-2-ylmethoxy)benzamide, or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt thereof.